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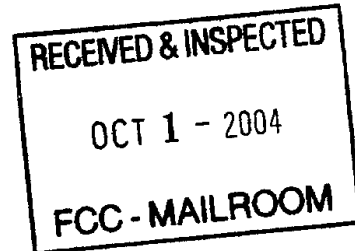
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September 30, 2004

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Marlene H. Dortch
Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
9300 East Hampton Dr.
Capitol Heights, Maryland 20743

Re: Certification of Rate Comparability Review for Non-Rural Carriers Serving in Rural Areas in Mississippi – Docket 96-45

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.316, the Mississippi Public Service Commission ("MPSC") has reviewed the comparability of residential rates in the rural areas of the State of Mississippi served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers ("ILEC's") to urban rates nationwide.

The MPSC has determined that the rates charged by BellSouth Telecommunications Inc. ("BellSouth"), the state's sole ILEC, in the rural area of the state fall within the safe harbor provisions of the FCC's rules. The nationwide urban benchmark for rates in effect on July 1, 2004 is \$34.16. As demonstrated on Attachment "A" of this certification, BellSouth's representative rural county (Montgomery County) falls well below the benchmark.

Enclosed is a stamped addressed envelope and an additional copy of this letter for you to use in returning a stamped filed copy of this correspondence to the MPSC. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

In accordance with the FCC's mandate, a certification letter is also being sent to Irene Flannery, Universal Service Administrative Company.

Sincerely,

Brian U. Ray,
Executive Secretary

Enclosures

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**Comparison of Mississippi's Rural, High Cost Area Rates to the FCC's "Safe Harbor" Benchmark
(as of July 1, 2004)**

FCC "Safe Harbor" Benchmark*

Representative Monthly Charge

Flat rate service which includes Touch Tone service	\$ 14.57
Subscriber Line Charge	\$ 5.91
Taxes, 911 and Other Charges	\$ 4.28
 Average Monthly Charge for Residential Service	 \$ 24.76
 Weighted Standard Deviation	 \$ 4.70
 Average + 2* (Std Dev)	 \$ 34.16

Mississippi Rural High Cost Rates (Duckhill, Montgomery County)

Rate for a Line with access to the Public Switched Network

Flat rate service for residential customers	\$ 15.15
Touchtone	\$ -
Unlimited Local Calling	\$ -
Sub-total A	\$ 15.15
 Federal Subscriber Line Charge	 \$ 6.50
State Subscriber Line Charge	\$ -
Federal Universal Service Fund Charge	\$ 0.61
State Universal Service Fund Charge	\$ -
Local Number Portability Charge	\$ 0.35
Telecommunications Relay Charge	\$ 0.07
MS Emergency Telecommunicator Training Charge	\$ 0.05
Sub-total B	\$ 7.58
 911 Charges	 \$ 0.80
Federal Universal Service Charge Credits (if any)	\$ -
State Universal Service Charge Credits (if any)	\$ -
Sub-total C	\$ 0.80
 Federal Excise Tax (3% of Sub-total A & B)	 Sub-total D \$ 0.68
Total	\$ 24.21

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Re: **CC Docket No. 96-45, No. 99-306; October 1st Certification Requirement for Non-Rural Carriers**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.313, the Mississippi Public Service Commission ("MPSC") files its required annual certification for the year **2005** for the non-rural carriers identified in Exhibit "A".

In accordance with the Federal Communication Commission's ("FCC") requirements in *Federal/State Joint Board on Universal Service, Ninth Report and Order, Eighteenth Order on Reconsideration, CC Docket No. 96-45; FCC 99-306*, the Mississippi Public Service Commission hereby certifies that these non-rural carriers proposed use of federal universal service high-cost support for the year 2005 will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

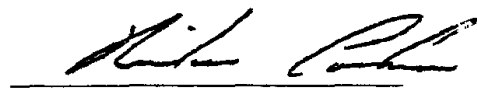
Attached are copies of the Commission's orders in their pertinent dockets.

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Sincerely,


Bo Robinson, Chairman


Nielsen Cochran, Vice-Chairman

Marlene H. Dortch
September 29, 2004
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Michael Callahan, Commissioner

Enclosure

<u>Carrier's Name</u>	<u>Carrier's Study Area Code</u>	<u>MS Docket No.</u>
MS Non-Rural Carriers 2005		
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.	285184	2000-AD-0040
Dixie-Net Communications, Inc.	289003	2001-UA-0198
Cellular South Licenses, Inc.	289001	2001-UA-0451
RCC Holdings, Inc. d/b/a/ Unicef	289002	2002-UA-0533
WS Telecom d/b/a Expetel Communications	289007	2002-UA-0319
CommuniGroup of Jackson, Inc.	289009	2003-UA-0165
Centennial Cellular Tri-State Operating Partnership	289005	2003-UA-0234
Centennial Claiborne Cellular Corp.	289004	2003-UA-0234
NPCR, Inc. d/b/a/ Nextel Partners	289006	2003-UA-0256
Alltel Communications, Inc.	289010	2003-UA-0407
Telepak Networks, Inc.	289011	2003-UA-0457
Megagate Broadband, Inc.	289013	2003-UA-0473
Sprint PCS	429788	2003-UA-0562
Dialog Telecommunications, Inc.	289012	2003-UA-0665
Gulfpines Communications, Inc.	n/a	2003-UA-0757
AT&T Wireless Service d/b/a/ AWS	289912	2003-UA-0937

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI**

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DOCKET NO. 2000-AD-040

MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION

IN RE: CERTIFICATION OF THE
CARRIERS RECEIVING FEDERAL
UNIVERSAL SERVICE HIGH-COST
SUPPORT

ORDER

COMES NOW, the Mississippi Public Service Commission ("Commission") and it appearing to the Commission, for good cause shown and after reviewing the plan for utilization of the year 2005 Federal Universal Service Funding ("USF") submitted by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"), upon the recommendation of the Mississippi Public Utilities Staff ("MPUS") and this Commission being otherwise fully advised, finds as follows:

1. On January 19, 2000, the Commission established this docket to certify, pursuant to the Federal Communications Commission's ("FCC") Universal Service Order¹, that the use of federal universal service high cost support in Mississippi is consistent with 47 U.S.C. §254(e). In accordance with the FCC's Universal Service Order and with this Commission's Order of January 19, 2000, BellSouth submitted a plan for utilization of the year 2000 Federal Universal Service Funding that was consistent with the principles of universal service as outlined in the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and by the FCC in its Universal Service Order.

¹ Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service Ninth Report and Order and Eighteenth Order on Reconsideration, CC Docket No. 96-45; FCC 99-306, released November 2, 1999 ("Universal Service Order"). See generally paragraphs 93-110.

2. On March 14, 2000, the Commission issued an Order certifying that BellSouth's proposed use of federal universal service high-cost support for the year 2000 in Mississippi was consistent with 47 U.S.C. §254(e). The network infrastructure improvements outlined in BellSouth's plan were basically to be accomplished over a three (3) year timeframe. The rate reductions proposed in the plan were to be accomplished in the year 2000.

3. On August 25, 2000, BellSouth submitted its detailed plan for utilization of the year 2001 Federal Universal Service Funding for approval by the Commission. The plan submitted on August 25, 2000 proposed a continuation of the network infrastructure improvement plan approved by the Commission in March, 2000. On September 22, 2000, the Commission issued an Order certifying that BellSouth's plan to utilize federal universal service high-cost support in Mississippi as proposed in its continuation plan submitted to the Commission on August 25, 2000, as modified by the Commission in its Order, was consistent with 47 U.S.C. §254(e).

4. On September 6, 2001, BellSouth submitted its detailed plan for utilization of the year 2002 Federal Universal Service Funding for approval by the Commission. The plan submitted on September 6, 2001 proposed a continuation of the network infrastructure improvement plan approved by the Commission in March, 2000. On September 27, 2001, the Commission issued an Order certifying that BellSouth's plan to utilize federal universal service high-cost support in Mississippi as proposed in its continuation plan submitted to the Commission on September 6, 2001, as modified by the Commission in its Order, was consistent with 47 U.S.C. §254(e).

5. On August 30, 2002, BellSouth submitted its detailed plan for utilization of the year 2003 Federal Universal Service Funding for approval by the Commission. The plan submitted on August 30, 2002 proposed a continuation of the network infrastructure improvement plan approved by the Commission in March, 2000. In its August 30, 2002 plan, BellSouth proposed to utilize the federal Universal Service Funding for the year 2003 in order to continue to improve its network infrastructure in the rural areas of the State of Mississippi consistent with the manner in which the Commission has previously reviewed and approved for the federal USF monies for the year 2002.

6. On August 1, 2003, BellSouth submitted its detailed plan for utilization of the year 2004 Federal Universal Service Funding for approval by the Commission. Subsequent to that transmittal, the MPUS requested a clarification of selected plan activities as well as a more granular alignment of expenses associated with these activities. On August 27, 2003, BellSouth submitted its revised plan for the utilization for the year 2004 in order to continue to improve its network infrastructure in the rural areas of the State of Mississippi consistent with the manner in which the Commission has previously reviewed and approved for the federal USF monies in prior years.

7. On July 1, 2004, BellSouth submitted its detailed plan for utilization of the year 2005 Federal Universal Service Funding for approval by the Commission. The plan submitted on July 1, 2004 proposed a further continuation of the network infrastructure improvement plan approved by the Commission in March, 2000. In its July 1, 2004 plan, BellSouth is proposing to utilize the federal Universal Service Funding for the year 2005 in order to continue to improve its network infrastructure in the rural areas of the State of Mississippi consistent with the manner in which the

Commission has previously reviewed and approved for the federal USF monies in prior years.

8. The Commission concludes that BellSouth's July 1, 2004 continuation plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund for the year 2005 is consistent with the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and pertinent FCC Orders.

This Order shall be effective upon its execution.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Commission hereby certifies that BellSouth's plan to utilize federal universal service high-cost support in Mississippi as proposed in its continuation plan submitted to the Commission on July 1, 2004, is consistent with 47 U.S.C. §254(e) and is, therefore, approved.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that BellSouth shall file quarterly reports with the Commission providing the status of universal service fund expenditures and projects.

Chairman Bo Robinson voted Aye; Vice-Chairman Nielsen Cochran voted Aye; Commissioner Michael Callahan voted Aye.

SO ORDERED on this the 29th day of September, 2004.



MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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BO ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN

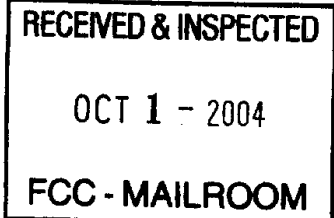
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Brian U. Ray
BRIAN U. RAY
Executive Secretary

**BEFORE THE
MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**



01-UA-198

**DIXIE-NET
COMMUNICATIONS, INC.**

**TC 123163400
TC123163401**

**IN RE: PETITION OF DIXIE-NET
COMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR
DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER
UNDER THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS
ACT OF 1996**

ORDER

HAVING COME ON BEFORE the Mississippi Public Service Commission ("Commission") for the consideration of Dixie-Net Communications, Inc.'s ("Dixie-Net") Revised Plan for Utilization of Federal Universal Service Funding for the year 2005 ("Revised Plan") heretofore submitted to this Commission by Dixie-Net, and after reviewing the Revised Plan and being otherwise sufficiently advised, this Commission finds as follows:

I.

On December 20, 2000, Dixie-Net filed its Petition for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") under the Telecommunications Act of 1996. The Commission entered an Order designating Dixie-Net an ETC on October 19, 2001.

II.

In June, 2004, Dixie-Net proposed its plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund for the year 2005. Thereafter on August 9, 2004, Dixie-Net submitted its Revised Plan for Utilization of Federal Universal Service Funding for the year 2005 for approval by this Commission.

III.

The Commission, after consultation with the Public Utilities Staff, concludes that Dixie-Net's Revised Plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund for the year 2005 is consistent with the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and the pertinent FCC orders.

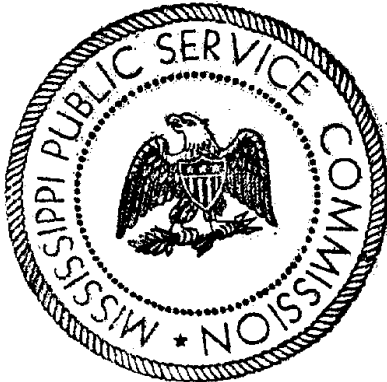
IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED:

1. The Commission hereby certifies that Dixie-Net's Revised Plan for Utilization of Federal Universal Service Funding is consistent with 47 U.S.C. 254(e).
2. Dixie-Net shall file quarterly reports with the Commission providing the status of universal service fund expenditures and projects.
3. This Order is effective as of the date hereof.

Chairman Bo Robinson voted aye, Vice Chairman Nielsen Cochran voted aye; and Commissioner Michael Callahan voted aye.

SO ORDERED, this the 29th day of September, 2004.

MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



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BO ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN

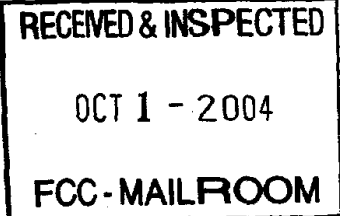
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BY: Michael Callahan
MICHAEL CALLAHAN, COMMISSIONER

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Brian U. Ray
BRIAN U. RAY,
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

BEFORE THE
MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



APPLICATION OF
CELLULAR SOUTH LICENSES, INC.
FOR DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER
UNDER 47 U.S.C. 214(E)(2)

DOCKET NO. 01-UA-0451

ORDER

COMES NOW, the Mississippi Public Service Commission ("Commission") and it appearing to the Commission, for good cause shown and after reviewing the plan for utilization for the year 2005 Federal Universal Service Funding ("USF") submitted by Cellular South Licenses, Inc. ("CSL"), and this Commission being otherwise sufficiently advised, finds as follows:

I.

On June 19, 2001, CSL filed its Application for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") under Section 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(2). On November 30, 2001, Victor H. (Hu) Meena filed direct testimony on behalf of Cellular South Licenses, Inc. in support of CSL's designation as an ETC. As a part of the testimony, Mr. Meena also filed with this Commission details of its plan for utilization of Federal Universal Service Funding it would receive in the year 2002 and thereafter. On December 27, 2001, this Commission issued its order certifying that CSL's proposed use of federal universal service funds for the year 2002 in Mississippi was consistent with the principles of Universal Service as outlined in the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and by the FCC in its Universal Service Order.¹

¹Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service Ninth Report and Order and Eighteenth Order on Reconsideration, CC Docket No. 96-45; FCC 99-306, released November 2, 1999 ("Universal Service Order"). See generally paragraphs 93-110.

II.

On August 1, 2003, CSL submitted its detailed plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund for the year 2004 ("CSL's 2004 Plan") for approval by the Commission. The plan submitted on August 1, 2003, proposed a continuation of its four phase plan to improve and upgrade its wireless telecommunications facilities in high cost areas in Mississippi. The Commission entered its Order approving CSL's 2004 Plan on September 24, 2003.

III.

On July 1, 2004, CSL submitted its detailed plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund for the year 2005 ("CSL's 2005 Plan") for approval by the Commission. The plan submitted on July 1, 2004 proposed a continuation of its four phase plan to improve and upgrade its wireless telecommunications facilities in high cost areas in Mississippi.

IV.

On a quarterly basis during the year 2005 CSL shall submit reports to the Commission which detail CSL's USF expenditures during the quarter.

V.

The Commission, after consultation with the Public Utilities Staff, concludes that CSL's 2005 Plan for continuation of utilization of the Federal Universal Service Funding for the year 2005 is consistent with the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and the pertinent FCC Orders.

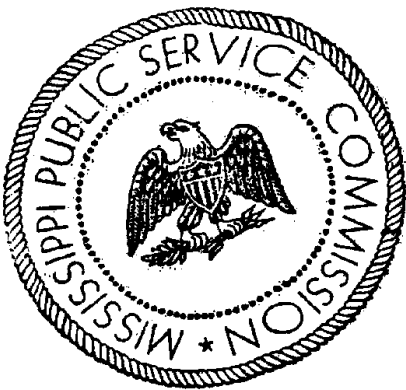
IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Commission hereby certifies that CSL's 2005 Plan to utilize Federal Universal Service High Cost Support Funds in Mississippi as contained in its continuation plan submitted to the Commission on July 1, 2004, is consistent with 47 U.S.C. §254(e).

This Order is effective as of its date of execution.

Chairman BO Robinson voted Aye; Vice Chairman Nielsen Cochran voted Aye; and Commissioner Michael Callahan voted Aye.

SO ORDERED on this the 29th day of September, 2004.

MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



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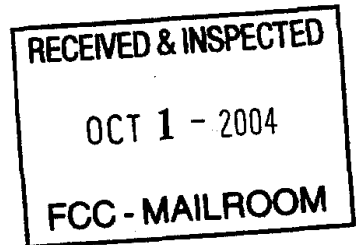
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BRIAN U. RAY, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

**BEFORE THE
MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**



02-UA-533

RCC HOLDINGS, INC. D/B/A UNICEL

TC 123200300

**IN RE: APPLICATION OF RCC HOLDINGS,
INC. D/B/A UNICEL FOR
DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER
UNDER 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(2)**

ORDER

HAVING COME ON BEFORE the Mississippi Public Service Commission ("Commission") for the consideration of RCC Holdings, Inc. d/b/a Unicel's ("RCC's") Revised Plan for Utilization of Federal Universal Service Funding for the year 2005 (the "Revised Plan") heretofore submitted to this Commission by RCC, and after reviewing the Revised Plan and being otherwise sufficiently advised, this Commission finds as follows:

I.

The Commission entered an Order designating RCC an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier "ETC" under Section 47 U.S.C. 214(e)(2) on December 2, 2002.

II.

On June 29, 2004, RCC submitted its plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund for the year 2005 for approval by the Commission. On September 22, 2004, RCC submitted its Revised Plan for approval by the Commission.

III.

The Commission, after consultation with the Public Utilities Staff, concludes that RCC's Revised Plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund in Mississippi for the year 2005 is consistent with the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and the pertinent FCC orders.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED:

1. The Commission hereby certifies that RCC's Revised Plan for Utilization of Federal Universal Service Funding is consistent with 47 U.S.C. 254(e).
2. RCC shall file quarterly reports with the Commission providing the status of universal service fund expenditures and projects.
3. This Order is effective as of the date hereof.

SO ORDERED, this the 29th day of September, 2004.

Chairman Bo Robinson voted Aye, Vice Chairman Nielsen Cochran voted Aye; and Commissioner Michael Callahan voted Aye.



MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BY: *Bo Robinson*
BO ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN

BY: *Nielsen Cochran*
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MICHAEL CALLAHAN, COMMISSIONER

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**BEFORE THE
MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

02-UA-319

**WS TELECOM, INC. D/B/A EXPETEL
COMMUNICATIONS**

TC 123191000

**IN RE APPLICATION OF WS TELECOM,
INC. D/B/A EXPETEL
COMMUNICATIONS FOR
DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER
UNDER THE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF
1996**

ORDER

HAVING COME ON BEFORE the Mississippi Public Service Commission ("Commission") for the consideration of WS Telecom, Inc. d/b/a eXpeTel's ("eXpeTel's") Revised Plan for Utilization of Federal Universal Service Funding for the year 2005 (the "Revised Plan") heretofore submitted to this Commission by eXpeTel, and after reviewing the Revised Plan and being otherwise sufficiently advised, this Commission finds as follows:

I.

The Commission entered an Order designating eXpeTel an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier "ETC" under Section 47 U.S.C. 214(e)(2) on June 30, 2003.

II.

On June 30, 2004, eXpeTel submitted its plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund for the year 2005 for approval by the Commission. On September 22, 2004, eXpeTel submitted its Revised Plan for approval by the Commission.

III.

The Commission, after consultation with the Public Utilities Staff, concludes that eXpeTel's Revised Plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund in Mississippi for

the year 2005 is consistent with the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and the pertinent FCC orders.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED:

1. The Commission hereby certifies that eXpeTel's Revised Plan for Utilization of Federal Universal Service Funding is consistent with 47 U.S.C. 254(e).
2. eXpeTel shall file quarterly reports with the Commission providing the status of universal service fund expenditures and projects.
3. This Order is effective as of the date hereof.

SO ORDERED, this the 27th day of September, 2004.

Chairman Bo Robinson voted Aye, Vice Chairman Nielsen Cochran voted Aye; and Commissioner Michael Callahan voted Aye.

MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



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BO ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN

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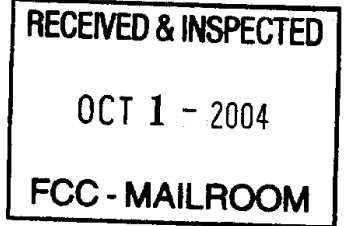
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BRIAN U. RAY,
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**BEFORE THE
MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**



03-UA-165

COMMUNIGROUP OF JACKSON, INC.

TC 123082001

**IN RE: APPLICATION OF COMMUNIGROUP
OF JACKSON, INC. D/B/A
COMMUNIGROUP FOR DESIGNATION
AS AN ELIGIBLE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER
UNDER THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS
ACT OF 1996**

ORDER

HAVING COME ON BEFORE the Mississippi Public Service Commission
("Commission") for the consideration of CommuniGroup of Jackson, Inc.'s
("CommuniGroup's") Revised Plan for Utilization of Federal Universal Service Funding for the
year 2005 (the "Revised Plan") heretofore submitted to this Commission by CommuniGroup,
and after reviewing the Revised Plan and being otherwise sufficiently advised, this Commission
finds as follows:

I.

The Commission entered an Order designating CommuniGroup an Eligible
Telecommunications Carrier "ETC" under Section 47 U.S.C. 214(e)(2) on July 21, 2003.

II.

On June 10, 2004, CommuniGroup submitted its plan for utilization of the Federal
Universal Service Fund for the year 2005 for approval by the Commission. On September 22,
2004, CommuniGroup submitted its Revised Plan for approval by the Commission.

III.

The Commission, after consultation with the Public Utilities Staff, concludes that
CommuniGroup's Revised Plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund in

Mississippi for the year 2005 is consistent with the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and the pertinent FCC orders.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED:

1. The Commission hereby certifies that CommuniGroup's Revised Plan for Utilization of Federal Universal Service Funding is consistent with 47 U.S.C. 254(e).

2. CommuniGroup shall file quarterly reports with the Commission providing the status of universal service fund expenditures and projects.

3. This Order is effective as of the date hereof.

SO ORDERED, this the 24th day of September, 2004.

Chairman Bo Robinson voted Aye, Vice Chairman Nielsen Cochran voted Aye; and Commissioner Michael Callahan voted Aye.



MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

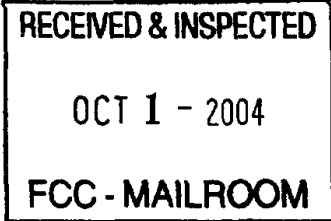
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BRIAN U. RAY,
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY



**BEFORE THE
MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

03-UA-234

CENTENNIAL

**IN RE: APPLICATION OF CENTENNIAL
CELLULAR TRI-STATE PARTNERSHIP AND
CENTENNIAL CLAIBORNE CELLULAR
CORPORATION FOR DESIGNATION AS AN
ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER
UNDER 47 U.S.C. 214(e)(2)**

ORDER

HAVING COME ON BEFORE the Mississippi Public Service Commission ("Commission") for the consideration of Centennial Cellular Tri-State Partnership and Centennial Claiborne Cellular Corporation's ("Centennial") Revised Plan for Utilization of Federal Universal Service Funding for the year 2005 (the "Revised Plan") heretofore submitted to this Commission by Centennial, and after reviewing the Revised Plan and being otherwise sufficiently advised, this Commission finds as follows:

I.

On April 4, 2003, Centennial filed its Application for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") under Section 47 U.S.C. 214 (e)(2). Centennial was subsequently designated by the Commission as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier on September 24, 2003.

II.

On June 30, 2004, Centennial submitted its plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund for the year 2005 for approval by the Commission. On September 27, 2004, Centennial submitted its Revised Plan for approval by the Commission.

III.

The Commission, after consultation with the Public Utilities Staff, concludes that Centennial's Revised Plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund in Mississippi for the year 2005 is consistent with the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and the pertinent FCC orders.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED:

1. The Commission hereby certifies that Centennial's Revised Plan for Utilization of Federal Universal Service Funding is consistent with 47 U.S.C. 254(e).
2. Centennial shall file quarterly reports with the Commission providing the status of universal service fund expenditures and projects.
3. This Order is effective as of the date hereof.

SO ORDERED, this the 19th day of September, 2004.

Chairman Bo Robinson voted Aye, Vice Chairman Nielsen Cochran voted Aye; and Commissioner Michael Callahan voted Aye.

MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



BY:

Bo Robinson
BO ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN

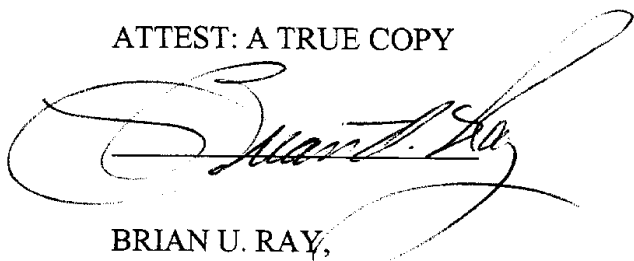
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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian U. Ray", written in a cursive style with a large initial "B".

BRIAN U. RAY,
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**Before the
MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

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**APPLICATION OF
NPCR, INC. d/b/a NEXTEL PARTNERS
FOR DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER
UNDER 47 U.S.C § 214(e)(2)**

DOCKET NO. 03-UA-0256

ORDER

COMES NOW the Mississippi Public Service Commission ("Commission") and it appearing to the Commission, for good cause shown and after reviewing the plan of NPCR, Inc. d/b/a Nextel Partners ("Nextel Partners") for utilization for the year 2005 Federal Universal Service Funding ("USF") heretofore submitted to this Commission by Nextel Partners, and this Commission being otherwise sufficiently advised, finds as follows:

I.

On April 17, 2003, Nextel Partners filed its Application for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") under Section 47 U.S.C. 214(e)(2). The Commission entered an Order designating Nextel Partners as an ETC on September 29, 2003.

II.

On September 21, 2004, Nextel Partners submitted its revised, detailed plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund for the year 2005 for approval by the Commission. The revised plan submitted was filed under seal, but generally proposed to maintain and support the existing infrastructure and also expand network services for projected 2005 growth. The Commission finds that Nextel Partner's proposed use of

federal universal service funds for the year 2005 in Mississippi under its revised plan is consistent with the principles of Universal Service as outlined in the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and by the FCC in its Universal Service Order.¹

III.

The Commission, after consultation with the Public Utilities Staff, concludes that Nextel Partners' revised plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund for the year 2005 is consistent with the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and the pertinent FCC orders.

IT IS THEREFORE, ORDERED:

1. The Commission hereby certifies that Nextel Partners' revised plan to utilize Federal Universal Service High Cost Support Funds in Mississippi as contained in its Expenditure Plan for 2005 submitted to the Commission on September 21, 2004, is consistent with 47 U.S.C. 254(e).

2. Nextel Partners shall file quarterly reports with the Commission providing the status of universal service fund expenditures and projects. This Order is effective as of the date hereof.

¹ Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service Ninth Report and Order and Eighteenth Order on Reconsideration, CC Docket No. 96-45, FCC 99-306, Released November 2, 1999 ("Universal Service Order"). See generally, paragraphs 93-110.

Chairman Bo Robinson voted Ag, Vice-Chairman Nielsen Cochran voted Ag, and Commissioner Michael Callahan voted Ag.

SO ORDERED, this the 29th day of September, 2004.



MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BY: Michael Callahan
MICHAEL CALLAHAN, CHAIRMAN

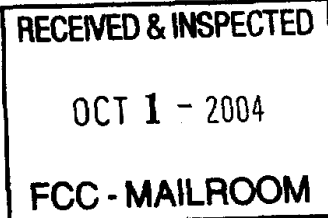
BY: Bo Robinson
BO ROBINSON, VICE-CHAIRMAN

BY: Nielsen Cochran
NIELSEN COCHRAN, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

Brian U. Ray
BRIAN U. RAY,
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

**BEFORE THE
MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**



03-UA-407

ALLTEL COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

**IN RE: APPLICATION OF ALLTEL
COMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR
DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER
PURSUANT TO SECTION 214(E)(2) OF
THE COMMUNICATIONS ACT OF
1934**

ORDER

HAVING COME ON BEFORE the Mississippi Public Service Commission ("Commission") for the consideration of ALLTEL Communications, Inc.'s ("ALLTEL's") Revised Plan for Utilization of Federal Universal Service Funding for the year 2005 (the "Revised Plan") heretofore submitted to this Commission by ALLTEL, and after reviewing the Revised Plan and being otherwise sufficiently advised, this Commission finds as follows:

I.

The Commission entered an Order designating ALLTEL an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier "ETC" under Section 47 U.S.C. 214(e)(2) on December 4, 2003.

II.

On June 29, 2004, ALLTEL submitted its plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund for the year 2005 for approval by the Commission. On September 22, 2004, ALLTEL submitted its Revised Plan for approval by the Commission.

III.

The Commission, after consultation with the Public Utilities Staff, concludes that ALLTEL's Revised Plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund in Mississippi for

the year 2005 is consistent with the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and the pertinent FCC orders.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED:

1. The Commission hereby certifies that ALLTEL's Revised Plan for Utilization of Federal Universal Service Funding is consistent with 47 U.S.C. 254(e).

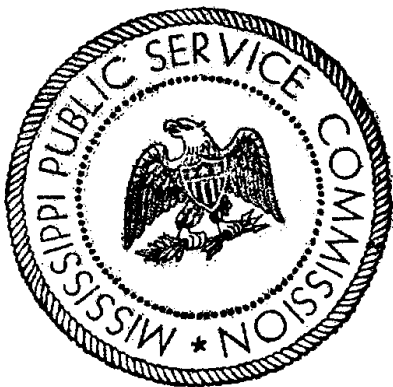
2. ALLTEL shall file quarterly reports with the Commission providing the status of universal service fund expenditures and projects.

3. This Order is effective as of the date hereof.

SO ORDERED, this the 27th day of September, 2004.

Chairman Bo Robinson voted Aye, Vice Chairman Nielsen Cochran voted Aye; and Commissioner Michael Callahan voted Aye.

MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



BY:

Bo Robinson
BO ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN

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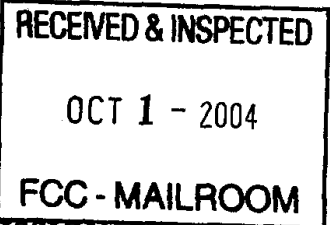
Nielsen Cochran
NIELSEN COCHRAN, VICE CHAIRMAN

BY:

Michael Callahan
MICHAEL CALLAHAN, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

Brian U. Ray
BRIAN U. RAY,
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY



BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

03-UA-0457

**IN RE: APPLICATION OF TELEPAK
NETWORKS, INC. FOR
DESIGNATION AS AN
ELIGIBLE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS
CARRIER UNDER 47 U.S.C. §
214(E)(2)**

TELEPAK NETWORKS, INC.

ORDER

COMES NOW, the Mississippi Public Service Commission ("Commission") and it appearing to the Commission, for good cause shown and after reviewing the plan for utilization for the year 2005 Federal Universal Service Funding ("USF") submitted by Telepak Networks, Inc. ("Telepak Networks"), and this Commission being otherwise sufficiently advised, finds as follows:

I.

On June 12, 2003, Telepak Networks filed with the Commission its Application pursuant to Section 214(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 ("TA96") and Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") Rules 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.201 through 54.207, requesting designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") for its current service area which includes the BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") certificated areas in the State of Mississippi (the "designated service area"). As a part of its Application, Telepak Networks also filed with this Commission details of its plan for utilization of Federal Universal Service Funding it would receive in the year 2004 and thereafter. On December 17, 2003, this Commission issued its order certifying that Telepak Networks' proposed use of federal universal service funds for the year 2004 in

Mississippi was consistent with the principles of Universal Service as outlined in the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and by the FCC in its Universal Service Order.¹

II.

On July 1, 2004, Telepak Networks submitted its detailed plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund for the year 2005 ("2005 Plan") for approval by the Commission. The plan submitted on August 1, 2003, proposed a continuation of the use of USF as outlined in Telepak Networks' Application.

III.

On September 22, 2004, Telepak Networks submitted its amended plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund for the year 2005 ("Amended 2005 Plan") for approval by the Commission. Telepak Networks' Amended 2005 Plan proposed a continuation of the use of USF as outlined in Telepak Networks' Application.

IV.

On a quarterly basis during the year 2005 Telepak Networks shall submit reports to the Commission which detail Telepak Networks' USF expenditures during the quarter.

V.

The Commission, after consultation with the Public Utilities Staff, concludes that Telepak Networks' Amended 2005 Plan for continuation of utilization of the Federal Universal Service Funding is consistent with the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and the pertinent FCC Orders.

¹Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service Ninth Report and Order and Eighteenth Order on Reconsideration, CC Docket No. 96-45; FCC 99-306, released November 2, 1999 ("Universal Service Order"). See generally paragraphs 93-110.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that the Commission hereby certifies that Telepak Networks' Amended 2005 Plan to utilize Federal Universal Service High Cost Support Funds in Mississippi as submitted to the Commission on September 22, 2004, is consistent with 47 U.S.C. §254(e).

This Order is effective as of its date of execution.

Chairman Bo Robinson voted *Bo Robinson*; Vice Chairman Nielsen Cochran voted *Nielsen Cochran*; and Commissioner Michael Callahan voted *Michael Callahan*.

SO ORDERED on this the 29th day of September, 2004.

MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



Bo Robinson
BO ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN

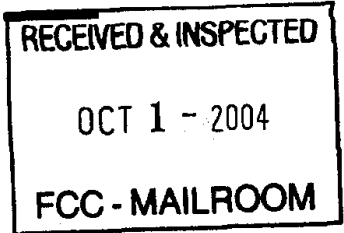
Nielsen Cochran
NIELSEN COCHRAN, VICE CHAIRMAN

Michael Callahan
MICHAEL CALLAHAN, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST A TRUE COPY:

Brian U. Ray
BRIAN U. RAY, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

**BEFORE THE
MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**



**APPLICATION OF MEGAGATE
BROADBAND, INC. (FORMERLY
CELLULAR XL ASSOCIATES, L.P.), FOR
DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER
UNDER 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(2)
IN THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI**

DOCKET NO. 2003-UA-0473

ORDER

COMES NOW the Mississippi Public Service Commission ("Commission") and it appearing to the Commission, for good cause shown, and after reviewing the plan of Megagate Broadband, Inc. (formerly Cellular XL Associates, L.P. d/b/a Megagate) ("Megagate") for utilization for the year 2005 of Federal Universal Service ("USF") Funding that Megagate has submitted to this Commission, and this Commission being otherwise sufficiently advised, finds as follows:

I.

On June 18, 2003, Megagate filed with the Commission an Application for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") under Section 47 U.S.C. 214(e)(2). The Commission entered an Order designating Megagate as an ETC on December 29, 2003.

II.

On September 23, 2004, Megagate submitted a revised plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund for the year 2005 for approval by the Commission. Megagate filed the revised Plan under seal, but the Plan generally proposed to maintain and support the existing infrastructure and also expand network services for projected

2005 growth. The Commission finds that Megagate's proposed use of federal universal service funds for the year 2005 in Mississippi is consistent with the principles of Universal Service as outlined in the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and by the FCC in its Universal Service Order.¹

III.

The Commission, after consultation with the Public Utilities Staff, concludes that Megagate's plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund for the year 2005 is consistent with the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and the pertinent FCC orders.

IT IS THEREFORE, ORDERED:

1. The Commission hereby certifies that Megagate's plan to utilize Federal Universal Service High Cost Support Funds in Mississippi as contained in its revised plan submitted to the Commission on September 23, 2004, is consistent with 47 U.S.C. 254(e).
2. Megagate shall file quarterly reports with the Commission providing the status of universal service fund expenditures and projects. This Order is effective as of the date hereof.

¹ Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service Ninth Report and Order and Eighteenth Order on Reconsideration, CC Docket No. 96-45, FCC 99-306, Released November 2, 1999 ("Universal Service Order"). See generally, paragraphs 93-110.

Chairman Bo Robinson voted Yes, Vice-Chairman Nielsen Cochran voted Yes, and Commissioner Michael Callahan voted Yes.

SO ORDERED, this the 29th day of September, 2004.



MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BY: Bo Robinson
BO ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN

BY: Nielsen Cochran
NIELSEN COCHRAN, VICE-CHAIRMAN

BY: Michael Callahan
MICHAEL CALLAHAN, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

Brian U. Ray
BRIAN U. RAY,
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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FCC - MAILROOM

In the Matter of:

**Application of SPRINTCOM, INC.,
SPRINT SPECTRUM, L.P., AND
WIRELESSCO., L.P. D/BA SPRINT PCS
(COLLECTIVELY "SPRINT") for Designation
As an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier
In Mississippi Under 47 U.S.C. Sec. 214(e)**

DOCKET NO. 2003-AD-0562

ORDER

COMES NOW the Mississippi Public Service Commission ("Commission") and it appearing to the Commission, for good cause shown, and after reviewing the plan of SprintCom, Inc., Sprint Spectrum, L.P., and WirelessCo, L.P., d/b/a Sprint PCS (collectively, "Sprint") for utilization for the year 2005 of Federal Universal Service ("USF") Funding that Sprint has submitted to this Commission, and this Commission being otherwise sufficiently advised, finds as follows:

I.

On July 31, 2003, Sprint filed with the Commission an Application for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") under Section 47 U.S.C. 214(e)(2). The Commission entered an Order designating Sprint as an ETC on December 29, 2003.

II.

On September 24, 2004, Sprint submitted its revised detailed plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund for the year 2005 for approval by the Commission. The plan submitted was filed under seal, but generally proposed to maintain and support the existing infrastructure and also expand network services for projected 2005 growth.

The Commission finds that Sprint's proposed use of federal universal service funds under its revised plan for the year 2004 in Mississippi is consistent with the principles of Universal Service as outlined in the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and by the FCC in its Universal Service Order.¹

III.

The Commission, after consultation with the Public Utilities Staff, concludes that Sprint's revised plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund for the year 2005 is consistent with the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and the pertinent FCC orders.

IT IS THEREFORE, ORDERED:

1. The Commission hereby certifies that Sprint's plan to utilize Federal Universal Service High Cost Support Funds in Mississippi as contained in its revised plan submitted to the Commission on September 24, 2004, is consistent with 47 U.S.C. 254(e).

2. Sprint shall file quarterly reports with the Commission providing the status of universal service fund expenditures and projects. This Order is effective as of the date hereof.

¹ Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service Ninth Report and Order and Eighteenth Order on Reconsideration, CC Docket No. 96-45, FCC 99-306, Released November 2, 1999 ("Universal Service Order"). See generally, paragraphs 93-110.

Chairman Bo Robinson voted Aye, Vice-Chairman Nielsen Cochran voted Aye, and Commissioner Michael Callahan voted Aye.

SO ORDERED, this the 29th day of September, 2004.



MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BY: Bo Robinson
BO ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN

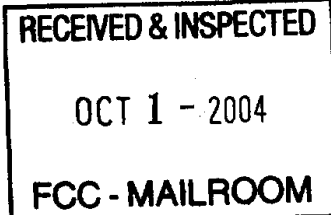
BY: Nielsen Cochran
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BY: Michael Callahan
MICHAEL CALLAHAN, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

Brian U. Ray
BRIAN U. RAY,
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

**BEFORE THE
MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**



03-UA-665

**DIALOG TELECOMMUNICATIONS,
INC.**

TC 123207000

**IN RE: APPLICATION OF DIALOG
TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR
DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER
UNDER THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS
ACT OF 1996**

ORDER

HAVING COME ON BEFORE the Mississippi Public Service Commission ("Commission") for the consideration of Dialog Telecommunications, Inc.'s ("Dialog's") Revised Plan for Utilization of Federal Universal Service Funding for the year 2005 (the "Revised Plan") heretofore submitted to this Commission by Dialog, and after reviewing the Revised Plan and being otherwise sufficiently advised, this Commission finds as follows:

I.

On September 4, 2003, Dialog filed its Application for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") under the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Dialog was subsequently designated by the Commission as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier.

II.

On June 30, 2004, Dialog submitted its plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund for the year 2005 for approval by the Commission. On September 22, 2004, Dialog submitted its Revised Plan for approval by the Commission.

III.

The Commission, after consultation with the Public Utilities Staff, concludes that Dialog's Revised Plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund in Mississippi for the year 2005 is consistent with the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and the pertinent FCC orders.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED:

1. The Commission hereby certifies that Dialog's Revised Plan for Utilization of Federal Universal Service Funding is consistent with 47 U.S.C. 254(e).
2. Dialog shall file quarterly reports with the Commission providing the status of universal service fund expenditures and projects.
3. This Order is effective as of the date hereof.

SO ORDERED, this the 29th day of September, 2004.

Chairman Bo Robinson voted Aye, Vice Chairman Nielsen Cochran voted Aye; and Commissioner Michael Callahan voted Aye.

MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



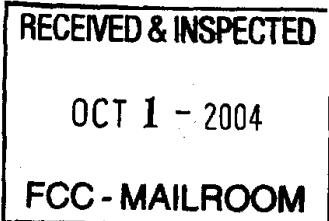
BY: Bo Robinson
BO ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN

BY: Nielsen Cochran
NIELSEN COCHRAN, VICE CHAIRMAN

BY: Michael Callahan
MICHAEL CALLAHAN, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

Brian U. Ray
BRIAN U. RAY,
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY



BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

03-UA-757

**GULFPINES
COMMUNICATIONS, LLC**

TC 123166400

IN RE:

**APPLICATION OF GULFPINES
COMMUNICATIONS, LLC FOR
DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS
CARRIER UNDER THE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT
OF 1996**

ORDER

HAVING COME ON BEFORE the Mississippi Public Service Commission ("Commission") for the consideration of GulfPines Communications, LLC's ("GulfPines'") Revised Plan for Utilization of Federal Universal Service Funding for the year 2005 (the "Revised Plan") heretofore submitted to this Commission by GulfPines, and after reviewing the Revised Plan and being otherwise sufficiently advised, this Commission finds as follows:

I.

The Commission entered an Order designating GulfPines an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier "ETC" under Section 47 U.S.C. 214(e)(2) on December 15, 2003.

II.

On June 29, 2004, GulfPines submitted its plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund for the year 2005 for approval by the Commission. On September 22, 2004, GulfPines submitted its Revised Plan for approval by the Commission.

III.

The Commission, after consultation with the Public Utilities Staff, concludes that GulfPines' Revised Plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund in Mississippi for the year 2005 is consistent with the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and the pertinent FCC orders.

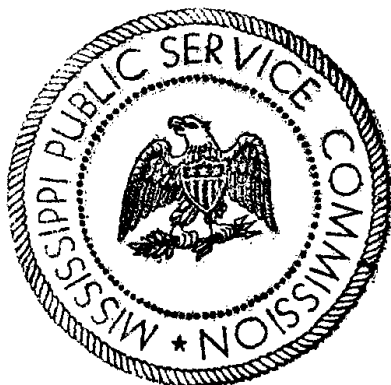
IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED:

1. The Commission hereby certifies that GulfPines' Revised Plan for Utilization of Federal Universal Service Funding is consistent with 47 U.S.C. 254(e).
2. GulfPines shall file quarterly reports with the Commission providing the status of universal service fund expenditures and projects.
3. This Order is effective as of the date hereof.

SO ORDERED, this the 20th day of September, 2004.

Chairman Bo Robinson voted Aye, Vice Chairman Nielsen Cochran voted Aye; and Commissioner Michael Callahan voted Aye.

MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



BY:

Bo Robinson
BO ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN

BY:

Nielsen Cochran
NIELSEN COCHRAN, VICE CHAIRMAN

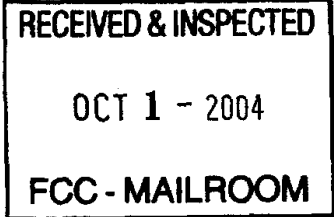
BY:

Michael Callahan
MICHAEL CALLAHAN, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

Brian U. Ray
BRIAN U. RAY,
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

**BEFORE THE
MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**



**APPLICATION OF AT&T WIRELESS SERVICES,
INC. FOR DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER UNDER
47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(2)**

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Docket No. 97-AD-552

ORDER

HAVING COME ON BEFORE the Mississippi Public Service Commission ("Commission") for the consideration of the Revised 2005 Plan for Utilization of Federal Universal Service Funding of AT&T Wireless Services, Inc. for itself and its subsidiary licensees TeleCorp PCS, L.L.C., AT&T Wireless PCS, LLC, TeleCorp Holding Corp. II, L.L.C., DigiCall, Inc., Tritel AIB Holding Corp., Tritel CIF Holding Corp., and AMT Cellular LLC (collectively "AWS"), heretofore submitted to this Commission by AWS, and after reviewing the Revised Plan and being otherwise sufficiently advised, this Commission finds as follows:

I.

On December 30, 2003, AWS filed its Application for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") under the Telecommunications Act of 1996. AWS was subsequently designated by the Commission as an ETC.

II.

July 1, 2004, AWS submitted its plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund for the year 2005 for approval by the Commission. On September 24, 2004, AWS submitted its Revised Plan for approval by the Commission.

III.

The Commission, after consultation with the Public Utilities Staff, concludes that AWS's Revised Plan for utilization of the Federal Universal Service Fund in Mississippi for the year 2005 is consistent with the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and the pertinent FCC orders.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED:

1. The Commission hereby certifies that AWS's Revised Plan for Utilization of Federal Universal Service Funding is consistent with 47 U.S.C. 254(e).
2. AWS shall file quarterly reports with the Commission providing the status of universal service fund expenditures and projects.
3. This Order is effective as of the date hereof.

SO ORDERED, this the 29th day of September, 2004.

Chairman Bo Robinson voted aye, Vice Chairman Nielsen Cochran voted aye; and Commissioner Michael Callahan voted aye.



MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BY:

Bo Robinson
BO ROBINSON, CHAIRMAN

BY:

Nielsen Cochran
NIELSEN COCHRAN, VICE CHAIRMAN

BY:

Michael Callahan
MICHAEL CALLAHAN, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

Brian U. Ray
BRIAN U. RAY
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY